



**South Carolina
Aeronautics Commission**

Budget Request FY2022-2023

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Agency Attendees

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Agency Overview

MISSION STATEMENT

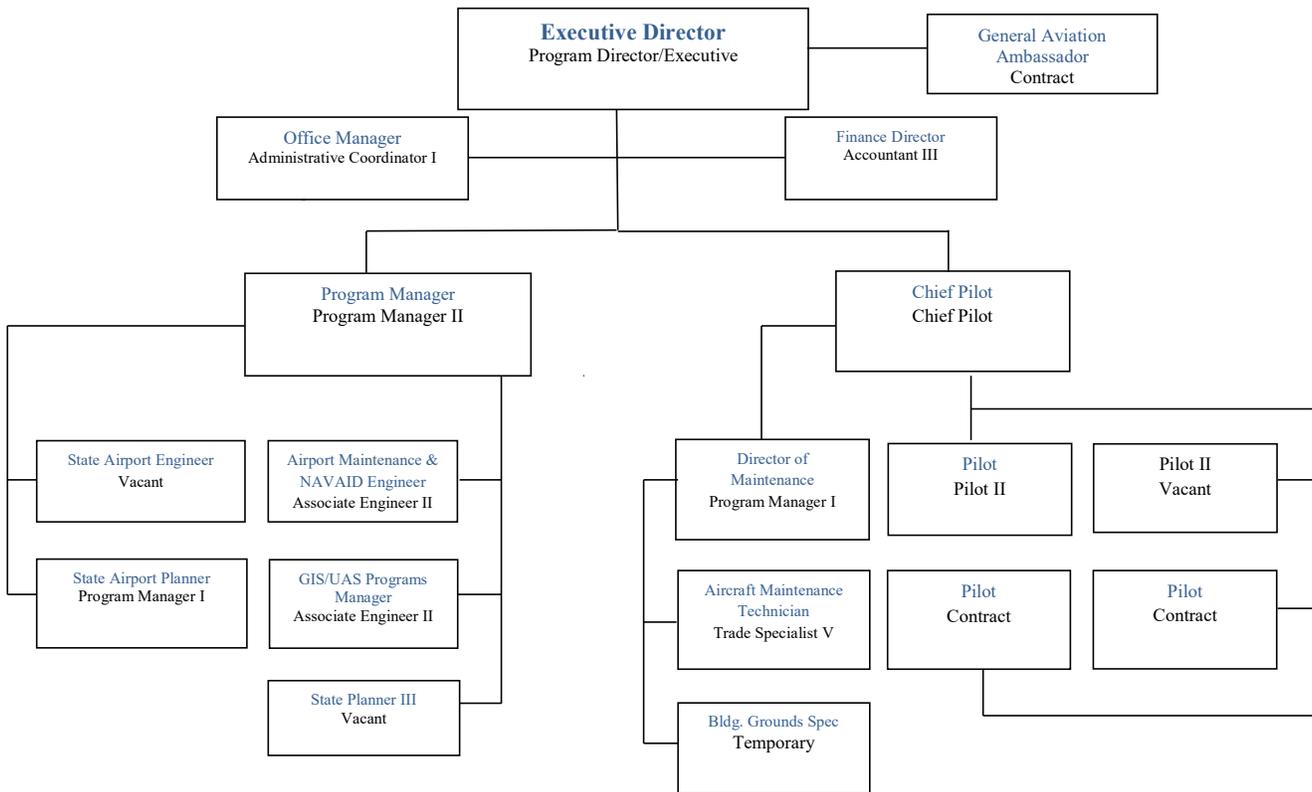
Fostering air and economic development by overseeing the safety and development of the state's public use airports, by providing safe and reliable air transportation for state government and business prospects; and by providing aviation education opportunities.

ROLE

- Oversight of the safety and development of public use airports
 - Accomplished by following Title 55 requirements and soon the promulgation of regulations
- Provision of safe, reliable air transportation
 - Accomplished through the hiring of qualified staff, provision of recurrent training, and by sound operational management
- Provision of aviation education opportunities
 - Accomplished through partnerships with educators, institutions, non-profits, and community outreach events.

ORGANIZATION and FTE BREAKDOWN

SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



14 FTE's Currently Authorized
(9.8 General Funds; 4.2 Other Funds)

11 Filled, 3 Vacant, 4 Contract/Temporary

No Expected Change in Personnel

Performance Update

Annual Accountability Report Summary

FY2020-2021

- Aeronautics has approved and financially participated in seventeen new state funded grants totaling \$673,800.
 - Apart from these grants, fifty-six (56) grants were provided 100 percent federal funding, resulting in South Carolina’s airports receiving \$45,646,385 in federal funds.
 - In addition, airport maintenance projects were funded at 75 percent from SCAC and 25 percent from the respective airport owners.
 - Four additional projects received 100 percent funding from SCAC and were for aerospace education and the general promotion of aviation within South Carolina.
 - All grant recipients have met or are on track to meet their projected planning budgets.
- Aeronautics published and distributed the 2021 Aeronautical Chart and Airport Directory.
- Aeronautics continues to inspect public use airports to ensure they maintain state and federal standards.
- Aeronautics continues to provide cost effective, safe air transportation.
- Aeronautics continues to serve on the SC-EMD Air Operations Branch and assists with post hurricane emergency response activities.
- Aeronautics continues to support aviation education by promoting and financially participating in education grants for STEM based aviation education training and flight simulation training. This educational outreach has provided opportunities to thousands of students in SC, and makes students aware of the career paths that are available to them in aviation/aerospace here in SC. Although COVID has impacted the outreach, new programs are being developed and considered for funding.

Financial Update: State Aviation Fund (SAF)

Title 55 – Aeronautics

SECTION 55-5-280

(A)(1) All monies received from licensing of airports, landing fields, or funds appropriated for aviation grants, the tax on aviation fuel, and fees for other licenses issued under this chapter must be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the fund known as the "State Aviation Fund".

(2) The fund also may receive gifts, grants, and federal funds and shall include earnings from investments of monies from the fund.

(3) A fund balance at the close of the fiscal year shall not lapse but must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

(4) The revenue credited to the State Aviation Fund pursuant to this subsection must be used solely as provided in subsection (C).

(B) In any fiscal year in which the tax levied by the State pursuant to Section 12-37-2410, et seq., exceeds two and one-half million dollars, the revenues in excess of two and one-half million dollars must be directed to the State Aviation Fund; however, any revenue in excess of five million dollars must be credited in equal amounts to the general fund and the State Aviation Fund.

(C) The State Aviation Fund must be used solely for:

(1) maintenance and repairs of the division's aircraft; or

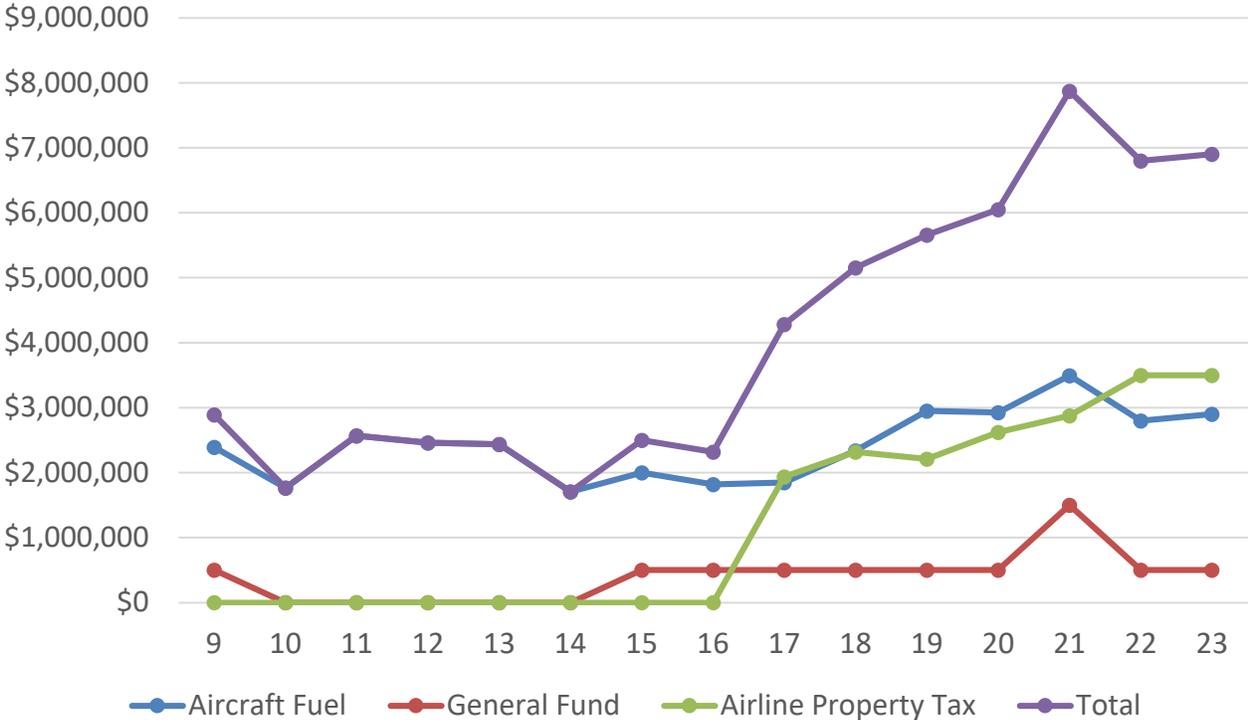
(2) maintenance, rehabilitation, and capital improvements to public use airports, which may include use as matching funds for FAA Airport Improvement Grants, provided that those airports receiving grants meet the requirements set forth by the division.

(3) The State Aviation Fund must not be used for operating expenses of the division.

(D) The division may promulgate regulations governing the eligibility requirements and procedures for disbursements from the State Aviation Fund.

HISTORY: 1962 Code § 2-75; 1952 Code § 2-75; 1942 Code § 7112-20; 1935 (39) 447; 1937 (40) 595; 1938 (40) 1835; 1993 Act No. 181, § 1289, eff July 1, 1993; 2005 Act No. 11, § 1.F, eff upon approval (became law without the Governor's signature on January 13, 2005); 2012 Act No. 270, § 3, eff June 18, 2012; 2016 Act No. 239 (H.4577), § 1, eff June 5, 2016.

Financial Update: SAF (cont.) Fund Revenue with Projections



Financial Update: SAF Fund Budget Projections

	<u>Expected Commitments for FY2022-2023</u>
Expected New Grant Commitments	4,500,000 *
Expected New Terminal Funding Requests	500,000
State Sponsored Federal Match	100,000
Commercial Airport Funding Program	1,500,000
State Aviation Maintenance Projects	1,250,000
State Aviation Administration Projects	600,000
State Aviation Support Services	350,000
TOTAL PROJECTED COMMITMENTS	8,800,000

* New Commitments include the anticipated matching funds for Federally eligible airport CIP's, and State/Local projects.

* Have multi-year life-cycles that can span up to four years. These funds are used as matching funds for Federal Aviation Administration grants, and Capital Improvements that may not be federally eligible.

Budget Request Summary

FY2022-2023

- Recurring Appropriations:
 - None requested
- Non-Recurring Appropriations:
 - \$50,000,000 for a one-time provision of funding for the creation of a Commercial Service Airport Recovery Fund for use by the six (6) commercial service airports in SC.
 - Eligible Airports
 - Columbia Metropolitan
 - Charleston International
 - Florence Regional
 - Greenville-Spartanburg International
 - Hilton Head Island
 - Myrtle Beach International
 - Passenger traffic reductions have caused difficulty in cash-flowing planned capital investments
 - Estimated 5-year capital improvements needs for all six (6) airports is estimated at \$1 billion.
 - Non-competitive in the region
 - Florida: \$329 million
 - North Carolina: \$125 million
 - Georgia: current efforts to put 80-100 million into commercial service airports

Aeronautics Proviso Request Summary

FY2022-2023

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee Proviso Request Summary						
FY 21-22 Proviso #	Renumbered FY 22-23 Proviso #	Proviso Title	Short Summary	FY of Proviso Introduction/ # of years in budget	Recommended Action	Proviso Language
87.1		Reimbursement for Services Carry Forward	Allows the division to carry forward reimbursements up to \$300,000 for the replacement of aircraft components	Pre 2001	CODIFY	
87.2		Office Space Rental	Allows the division to retain office space rental revenue	Pre 2001	CODIFY	
87.3		Funding Sequence	Provides the funding sequencing for airports within SC	Pre 2001	NO CHANGE	
87.4		Hangar/Parking Facilities	Allows the division to provide hangar/parking space for a fee to other government aircraft	Pre 2001	CODIFY	
87.5		Aviation Grants	Provides the structure for State Aviation Fund and associated grant programs	Pre 2001	NO CHANGE	
117.22		State-Owned Aircraft - Flight Logs	Establishes the requirements for the filing and retention of aircraft flight logs	Pre 2001	NO CHANGE	
117.97		Prohibit Use of State Aircraft for Athletic Recruiting	Establishes the structure for the allowance of state aircraft for athletic recruiting	Began FY 13-14 / 8 Yrs in Budget	NO CHANGE	
87.6		Federal Asset Transfer - Aircraft	Allows the division to utilize the Federal Asset Transfer Program, and would provide a method to obtain aircraft that could be put into the fleet, operated for 5 years, then become owned by the state		ADD	Aeronautics may participate in the Federal Asset Transfer program to secure aircraft for use in official state business by utilizing appropriated general funds, not to exceed \$50,000, and after the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission has provided the approval.

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